THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (e) As per the report received from the Government of Himachal Pradesh, it was decided to get the Hb level of all pregnant mothers and adolescent girls in Sadwan Circle of Nurpur Project, District Kangra, tested with a view to remove/control anaemia. Accordingly, Hb level of adolescent girls of Kopra village was scheduled to be tested at Government Hospital, Nurpur on 13.9.2006. Adolescent girls of the Kopra village were informed accordingly. However, the girls on their own with their parents, went to a private clinic at Ondh run by a registered medical practitioner where their Hb test was conducted by using separate syringes.

Accommodation for women in urban areas

2878. SHRI SANJAY RAUT Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether many working women are facing problems in getting accommodations in urban cities;

(b) if so, Government's response thereto; and

(c) the details of measures taken by Government to setup more hostels for working women in the country so that they can feel a secured atmosphere?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir. Many working women are in need of hostel accommodation in urban cities.

(b) and (c) Ministry of Women and Child Development has been implementing a scheme of Assistance for Construction/Expansion of Hostel Accommodation for Working Women since 1972-73. 873 hostels have been sanctioned so far under the Scheme all-over the country with a capacity of 63281 women. The Scheme is proposed to be revamped and expanded in the 11th Five Year Plan (2007—2012).

[MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN in the Chair.]